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Rate, subject to a discount of 20 per

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Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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## SATURDAY,

the 23rd Instant, at Noon,—  
THE PLANT and Entire STOCK-IN-TRADE of the Old Established PRINTING BUSINESS of Messrs De Souza & Co.

The Whole will be put up in One Lot and will include the Goodwill.

The Plant, &c., can be seen at the Pre-

mises, Wellington Street, and an Inventory

can be had of the Auctioneers.

TERMS.—Cash on the fall of the hammer.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1881.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-

tions to Sell by Public Auction, on

## SATURDAY,

the 23rd April, 1881, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—  
A Collection of

CHINESE & JAPANESE CURIOS, &c.,

comprising—

OLD PORCELAIN, OLD CHINCHENG, SANO

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SILVER and GOLD INLAID BRONZES.

ETC. ETC.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 18, 1881.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have re-

ceived instructions from Rev. Dr.

CHAMBERS, to Sell by Public Auction, at

the London Mission House, on

## MONDAY,

the 26th April, 1881, at 2 o'clock p.m.,—  
HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

comprising—

CHAIRS, COUCHES, MARBLE-TOP TABLES,

SIDEBOARD, CROCKERY, BEDSTEADS, WARD-

ROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, TOILET GLASSES,

WASHSTANDS, PICTURES, ETC.

## Also,

A WALNUT COTTAGE PIANO.

ETC. ETC. ETC.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furni-

ture will be shown at the time of the Sale.

TERMS.—As usual.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 19, 1881.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

SALE OF ENGLISH AND COLONIAL-MADE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THE Undersigned has received instruc-

tions to Sell by Public Auction, on

## THURSDAY,

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and nearly new.

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the Sale.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

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Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 21, 1881.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

# THE CHINA MAIL.

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BRISKETS, and

TONGUES.

California ROLL BUTTER.

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Soused PIG'S FEET.

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California CRACKER Co.'s BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

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RICHARDSON AND ROBBIN'S Potted MEATS.

Lunch TONGUE.

PRESENT TEA in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.

WINES and SPIRITS of all Descriptions.

SAIL-MAKING executed on the Premises.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

Hongkong, January 22, 1881.

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PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAISE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLE;

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ON MONDAY, the 26th day of April, 1881, at Noon, the Company's S. S. AMAZONE, Commandant Lomagne, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 24th of April, 1881. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contests and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 13, 1881.

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## Entertainment.

### ST. ANDREW'S HALL THE CARANDINI OPERATIC AND BALLAD COMPANY.

### SPECIAL NIGHT TO-MORROW EVENING,

April 23rd.

Under the Patronage of His Excellency the GOVERNOR and Lady HENNESSY.

A BRILLIANT PROGRAMME.

Tickets obtainable at Messrs LANE, CLAWFORD & Co., and at the Door.

N.B.—Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen not admitted.

Reserved Seats, 82.  
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Hongkong, April 22, 1881.

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### NOTICE

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J. BRADLEY SMITH,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1881.

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For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNIOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1881.

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## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of A. China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the time of Policy.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

A. G. STOKES,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1881.

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## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Officers will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or

Crew of the following Vessels, during

their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

Gov. GOODWIN, American ship, Captain William Lester, Messageries Maritimes.

Wm. H. BESSIE, American barque, Capt. B. C. Baker—Admiral, Bell & Co.

WILLIE REED, American ship, Captain Yates—Melchers & Co.

MINNIE CARYL, British barque, Captain P. T. Clark—Edward Schellings & Co.

EDEN, British barque, Captain John Nairn—Yue Fat Hong.

BOYNTON, British barque, Capt. Nason—Vogel & Co.

GALLIVY OF LONDON, British steamer, Capt. Braundwate—Russell & Co.

ATLANTA, German steamer, Captain Pfaff—Siemens & Co.

LODGE OF THE ISLES, Brit. steamer, Capt. J. C. Felgate—Russell & Co.

NORDEN, Danish steamer, Captain Rasmussen—Siemens & Co.

BINGOL, British steamer, Captain A. Webster—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1880.

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## Intimations.

### NEWS FOR HOME.

### The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE

IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice a month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated with the journals published at the various ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary.

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Notes and Queries—Botanical Notes.

The Arabic Numerals.

A Chinese Pilgrim on the Way to Mecca.

How Much is Made.

Tales from Chinese History.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

As we stated on the 19th, through the publication of a letter from Peking, one of the Empresses Dowager of China is dead; but some strange mistake has been made somewhere as to which of the two Dowagers has paid the debt of Nature. Our correspondent at Peking was clear as to the appellation of the Imperial lady—the "Western Empress"—and, while pointing out that she had succumbed from consumption, left the matter beyond a doubt by saying that she was the mother of the last Emperor (Tung Chih) and aunt of the present boy ruler (Kwang-su). Our Shanghai contemporaries are distinct enough, on the other hand, as to the deceased lady being the Eastern Empress, the first wife of the Emperor Hien Fung; and they remark at the same time upon the increased gravity of the situation caused not only by the death of the Eastern Empress, but the expected decease of the Western Empress, who (they say truly enough) was known to be dangerously ill. It is certain, however, that one of the Dowagers in whose hands the destinies of the Empire have lately been in a measure placed has, as the Imperial Decree puts it, "ascended to the far country." In the present condition of parties at the Capital, this event must have considerable influence upon the Imperial policy—how much, no one can possibly be in a position to say at the present time.

In the notices which have appeared of the late Earl of Beaconsfield there is a variation of a year in the date given as that of his birth. The following, which is the opening paragraph of Conquer's "Lord Beaconsfield, a Biography," may therefore be of interest:—

There are two stories with regard to the date of Lord Beaconsfield's birth: the one given by himself, the other by Mr. Pictet. According to "Dad," that is, Lord Beaconsfield,—the future Premier was born on December 21, in the year 1805; Mr. Pictet fixes the date of the birth in 1804—a year earlier. There is the same uncertainty as to where Lord Beaconsfield was born: some say it was in Hackney, and some, in Upper St. Islington; but the generally accepted tradition is that it was in the house at the south-west corner of Bloomsbury Square, facing Hart Street.

A STATEMENT of the revenue and expenditure of the Colony for the year 1880 in published in the *Gazette*. The total revenue was \$1,063,947, being an increase of \$105,852 on that of 1879; and the total expenditure \$948,014, being an increase of \$21,146 on that of the previous year. Of the increase in the revenue the police, lighting, brigade rates account for \$39,215, and postage for \$37,218; but as against the latter item there is an increase in expenditure under the heading of the postal department of \$35,143. Leaving the accounts of this department out of the question, there is therefore a slight decrease instead of an increase in the total expenditure of the colony, the decrease being accounted for by the reduction of the charges of works and buildings, roads, streets, and bridges, and the fire brigades, directions in which of all others retrenchment must have been the least desirable.—*Catholic Register*.

The Pacific Advertiser of the 12th ult. says:—

"The excess of passenger arrivals over departures at Honolulu in 1876 was 2,055, of whom 2,000 were Chinese males; in 1880 the figures were 3,665 more arrivals than departures, of whom 2,190 were Chinese males."

Sir James Longdon is so unpopular in Ceylon that, as His Excellency has served more than 40 years, "it is earnestly hoped by most people that His Excellency may be allowed by the Colonial Office to retire upon his well-earned pension, and that a younger and more vigorous administrator may be sent to Ceylon." The paper from which we have taken the above adds:—"Our chief want is the strengthening of the Executive Council, with local talent and experience." That we ourselves found it to be a general complaint in Ceylon. No trained Civil Servant has a seat on the Executive Council Board, after about which we found natives and planters alike full of complaints. The singular thing about the unpopularity of Sir J. E. Longdon is that he is disliked by the Civil Service of the island, by the planters and merchants, and by the natives. Such an unanimity of disapproval has never yet been known in Ceylon.—*Indian Daily News*.

THE question (says the *St. James's Gazette*) whether British subjects of Chinese descent should or should not be allowed to wear what is commonly called "a pigtail" is assuming, it seems, serious importance in the Chinese port of Amoy. Mr. Giles, Her Majesty's Consul for the port, states that the Chinese authorities cherish a very strong feeling against the resident Anglo-Chinese merchants of Amoy, who, though natural-born British subjects, adopt the dress of their forefathers; and they even refuse sometimes to recognise them as British subjects. By wearing Chinese clothes and adopting the national custom of dressing their hair, these Anglo-Chinese appear, it appears, to the disapprobation of Chinese citizens, while, by virtue of their appearance and knowledge of the language and customs of the country, they are able to derive much fuller advantage from the privileged diplomatic and commercial advantages. China and Japan realise that the Chinese are closing around them, and General Grant says they are turning in their need to the United States and its people; that they are willing to pour their wealth into our arms if we will only reach for it, and establish commercial connections which can compete with European. General Grant said he thought it evidently expedient that the United States should be represented at the Courts of each of these nations by a young, vigorous, progressive man—one of broad views, quick perceptions and capacity to seize hold of the undoubted great opportunities for the extension of American ideas. President Garfield was very much impressed with the views of General Grant, and advised him they would receive his very careful consideration. He said, however, that a distinguished citizen of his own State, Mr. Bingham, had been some years United States Ambassador to Japan, and was contented to have acquitted himself creditably. General Grant said he knew Hing-han very well, that he was a good representative, and ought to be promoted to one of the high European missions. General Grant suggested as a proper person for the Japanese mission John Russell Young, who was equally familiar with himself, by actual observation, with the situation in China and Japan.

It is a grievous thing that even a dear cannot quote Scripture correctly. In his sermon, referring to the death of the late Thomas Carpenter, Dean Stanier tells an old story, how "years ago, whilst I belonged to that cathedral," the Dean seems to think that Westminster Abbey is a cathedral church. "I met him in St. James's Park and walked home with him to his own house." The Dean asked the historian his

## THE BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MISS MARIE CARANDINI.

SUPREME COURT.  
IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.  
(Before His Honour the Acting Chief Justice,  
F. Snowden, Esq.)

Friday, April 22.

advice "to a canon of an English cathedral" and was answered "in homely and well-known words: 'Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might.' Given the first six words of this passage of Scripture, and most people will put in the little word italicized, but we doubt whether Carlyle did so. Probably it was the Dean's own interpolation, or he would have left it out. We are said to be the most Bible quoting people in the world. Our conversation contains more Bible language and allusions than that of any other nation, and foreigners are said to notice it. We ought then to quote the Bible more accurately than Shakespeare, the classics, which scholars seldom quote as do the Bibles.

This is commoner, for instance, than to hear even educated people quote the words "the sweat of thy brow" under the impression that they are quoting Scripture. The human brow is mentioned only once in the Bible. "Thy brow, brass" will be found in the writings of the prophet Isaiah; but not in the sentence pronounced on Adam, or elsewhere, is the human brow mentioned. Who is the originator of those misquotations? And why do they become "household words?" Why do people say "in the multitude of counsellors there is wisdom," when the Bible says "safety"? And why do so many believe that they are quoting Scripture when they say "Spare the rod and spoil the child?" It would seem that Dean Stanley and the clergy generally ought rather to set us right than perpetuate misquotations from the most venerable of books.—*Pioneer*.

## Intimations.

## THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The *China Review*, or *Notes and Queries on East Asia*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 80 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original Contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endorsements are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified under the heading "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as also those queries which though asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. At our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising review. It is a short pamphlet, monthly, replete with what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Pictures in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong—*Northern Christian Advocate* (U.S.).

*Tribune's Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, and the social development of the country, of linguistic and historical, led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, numbers of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Shih King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, it is shown that the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary merit to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the governors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, making their estimates upon the reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan—from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Siam, and other places frequented by the Chinese—consider themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

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## Visitors' Column.

We have instituted an experiment a *Visitors' Column*, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a *SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY*, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

## List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.

City Hall, Library (3,000 volumes) and Museum,—Free.

Public Gardens, a beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.

The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in a line with Pedder's Wharf.

General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a stone's-throw.

Lusitano Club and Library, Shelley St., Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.

St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road; near Kennedy's Road.

Temperance Hall, specially adapted for sea-faring men, Queen's Road East.

Sailors' Home, West Point.

E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Marine House, Queen's Road.

Masonic Hall, Zetland Street.

Victoria Recreation Club—Bath-house and Boat-house, &c.—Prayn, beyond the Cricket Ground, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Store Departments lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

## Stores, Books, &amp;c.

General Outfitter, Hosier, Tailor, &c.—T. N. Dinscott, 45 and 47, Queen's Road, by special appointment to H.E. the Governor.

Chronometers, Watches, Jewellery, Maps and Charts.—G. FALCONER & CO., Queen's Road Central.

American and English Stores, Books and specially selected Cigars.—MAC. EWEN, FRICKEL & CO.

Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Ammunition, and Sportsmen's Requisites of all descriptions.—W.M. SCHNITT & CO., Gunmakers, Eastern House of Beaconsfield Arcade.

## Chair and Boat Hire.

LEGALISED TARIFES OF FEES FOR CHAIRS,  
CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS,  
IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats

Half hour, ... 10 cts. Hour, ..... 20 cts.

Three hours, 50 cts. Six hours, ... 70 cts.

Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

To VICTORIA PEAK.

Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00

Three Coolies, ... 85 cts.

Two Coolies, ... 70 cts.

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.50

Three Coolies, ... 1.20

Two Coolies, ... 1.00

To VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA  
SAT.)

Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$0.60

Three Coolies, ... 50 cts.

Two Coolies, ... 40 cts.

Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00

Three Coolies, ... 85 cts.

Two Coolies, ... 70 cts.

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an aditional toll of 5 cents.

Day Trip (Peak), ... \$0.75 each Coolie.

(12 hours) Gap, ... \$0.60 each Coolie.

Licensed Bearers (each).

Hour, ... 10 cents.

Half day, ... 35 cents.

Day, ... 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900  
pounds, per Day, ... \$3.00

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900  
pounds, per Load, ... 2.00

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600  
pounds, per Day, ... 1.75

2nd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 300  
pounds, per Day, ... 1.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 300  
pounds, per Load, ... 1.00

4th Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 300  
pounds, and Day, ... 50 cts.

Sampans, ...

or Pullaway Boats, per Day, ... \$1.00

One Hour, ... 80 cts.

Half an Hour, ... 40 cts.

After 6 P.M., ... 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agree-  
ments.

TRAVEL COOLIES.

Scale of Fees for Street Coolies.

One Day, ... 50 cents.

Half Day, ... 30 cents.

Three Hours, ... 12 cts.

One Hour, ...

Half Hour, ... 6 cts.

Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised December 1st, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or patterns may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bond or Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed by the parcel post at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less by 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post-Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, with all Dutch, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, ... 10 cents per ½ oz.

Post Cards, ... 10 cents each.

Registration, ... 10 cents.

Newspapers, ... 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Patterns, ... 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters, ... 10 cents.

Registration, ... None.

Newspapers, ... 2\* cents.

Books and Patterns, ... 5\* cents.

West Indies (Non Union); Bolivia, Costa Rica, Guatemala, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay.

Letters, ... 30 cents.

Registration, ... None.

Newspapers, ... 5 cents.

Books and Patterns, ... 5 cents.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji; via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

\* A small extra charge is made on delivery.

+ There is Registration to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, 8 oz.

† Registration via San Francisco, 10 cents.

‡ Cannot be sent via San Francisco.

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